Our economy isn't working for too many people, and it is even more difficult for women.

I support HB 6932 and HB 6784 because they allow workers to balance caring for their families and their jobs.

We need to think about this in a very hard-headed way. The work of caring for the sick must be done. (Unless we propose to just throw them out on the street to die.) We can either provide paid leave to workers to allow them to care for sick family members or we can pay hospitals and facilities to do this when the lack of care at home puts the sick person in hospital. The cost of care in a facility is hundreds, thousands of times higher than the money that would be paid to a worker in paid sick leave. That money comes out of state coffers and out of insurance compensation funds, raising premiums, which EMPLOYERS also have to pay for their workers and workers' families. It's not rocket science, it's basic math. Providing paid sick and family care leave is the right choice to save money.

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